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FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

LS 6473

BILL NUMBER: HB 1053

NOTE PREPARED: Mar 23, 2015

BILL AMENDED: Jan 22, 2015

SUBJECT: Drink Sales at Microbrewery, Farm Winery, and Artisan Distillery.

FIRST AUTHOR: Rep. Ober

FIRST SPONSOR: Sen. Glick

BILL STATUS: Enrolled

FUNDS AFFECTED: X GENERAL
X DEDICATED
FEDERAL

IMPACT: State & Local

Summary of Legislation: This bill allows any combination of a microbrewery, farm winery, and an artisan distillery that occupy the same building to sell by the glass the microbrewery's beer, the farm winery's wine, and the artisan distillery's liquor from the same service bar, without a structure separating the service of wine, the service of beer, and the service of liquor. The bill provides that the restrictions and provisions of an artisan distillery's, microbrewery's, or farm winery's permit governing the sale or service of alcoholic beverages apply to the sale and service of the alcoholic beverage.

Effective Date: July 1, 2015.

Explanation of State Expenditures:

Explanation of State Revenues: *Summary* - Under current law, the Alcohol and Tobacco Commission requires microbreweries, farm wineries, and artisan distilleries that occupy the same building to have a wall that separates the service of beer, the service of wine, and the service of liquor. The bill would remove this requirement.

The bill is not expected to have a significant impact on revenue. However, to the extent that it allows more alcoholic beverages to be sold than would have been otherwise, it could increase revenue from the Alcoholic Beverage Tax and the Sales Tax. There are a limited number of microbreweries and farm wineries that share a building, so any increase is likely to be small.

Additional Information - Revenue from the Alcoholic Beverage Tax is distributed in varying amounts to the

state General Fund, Post War Construction Fund, Enforcement and Administration Fund, Addiction Services Fund, and Wine Grape Market Development Fund. Fifty percent of the General Fund distribution is allocated to cities and towns according to a formula based on population.

Sales Tax revenue is deposited in the General Fund (98.848%), Motor Vehicle Highway Account (1%), Commuter Rail Service Fund (0.123%), and Industrial Rail Service Fund (0.029%).

Explanation of Local Expenditures:

Explanation of Local Revenues: Local revenues could increase to the extent that a local unit receives revenue from the Alcoholic Beverage Tax or the Sales Tax. However, any increase is likely to be small.

State Agencies Affected: Alcohol and Tobacco Commission.

Local Agencies Affected:

Information Sources: ATC list of active permits, August 2014.

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